

Foreign Service Limited Position Opportunity - Program Officer (Adaptation Finance Specialist) - FL-343-02

- **Agency:** U.S. Agency for International Development
- **Organization:** Bureau for Resilience and Food Security, Center for Resilience (RFS/CR)
- **Location of Position:** Washington, DC
- **Open Period:** Friday, June 17h - July 1, 2022
- **Appointment Type:** This is an excepted service, time-limited appointment that is not-to-exceed five (5) years
- **Salary:** (USD) \$120,317 - (USD) \$176,300 (annually)
- **Number of Vacancies:** One

Description of Organization: This position serves as an Adaptation Finance Specialist in the Center for Resilience of USAID's Bureau for Resilience and Food Security (RFS). RFS oversees four high-level, integrated efforts: (1) Feed the Future, guided by the Global Food Security Strategy (GFSS), (2) the USAID MultiSector Nutrition Strategy, (3) the U.S. Global Water Strategy, and (4) efforts to increase resilience in areas of recurrent humanitarian crisis. To deliver on this work, RFS partners with other U.S. Government (USG) Departments and Agencies, USAID Bureaus and Missions, universities, civil society, and other public- and private-sector actors. The Center for Resilience (CR) leads the Agency's resilience and adaptation work. Through technical assistance, training, and curated learning products, the Center supports USAID Missions' programming, policy, and partnership work in resilient livelihoods and markets and resilient communities and systems, including, natural resources and disaster risk management, social protection, and climate adaptation. The Center manages global research and analysis investments to generate resilience-related innovations and evidence for wide application. Through strategic engagement and partnership, the Center influences global resilience investments and agendas. The Center houses the secretariat for the Agency's Resilience Leadership Council, responsible for strategic alignment of USAID's multi-sectoral resilience programming and is supporting the implementation of the President's Emergency Plan for Adaptation and Resilience (PREPARE).

Description of Position: This position will support RFS' Senior Advisor for Climate Change, as well as the Center for Resilience, joining the RFS Climate Adaptation Team. The successful candidate will contribute to climate finance policy conversations and promote coordination across these and the Agency's other adaptation strategy objectives to advance both USAID's Climate Strategy and the President's Emergency Plan for Adaptation and Resilience (PREPARE). Specific roles and responsibilities include:

PROGRAM and THOUGHT LEADERSHIP 50%

1. Supports the Bureau's adaptation finance efforts and research, contributing to the development of a cohesive and coordinated effort to elevate adaptation finance research, policy support and best practices, including in locally-led adaptation in support of meeting USAID's Climate Strategy Finance target.
2. Work with Bureau Offices and Centers to gather evidence and ensure that relevant USAID activities contribute to USAID's climate finance target.

3. Support the implementation of PREPARE, particularly work on the adaptation finance pillar.
4. Represent the Bureau through engagement in the global conversations on adaptation finance in advance of COP 27, offering opportunities to demonstrate Bureau thought leadership in adaptation best practices and how to effectively support the flow of adaptation finance to vulnerable populations.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT 25%

1. Collaborates on research and development projects focused on adaptation. Ensures the development of technically and legally sound agreements and manages technical, fiscal, and policy aspects of programs and projects to ensure success.
2. Establishes priorities, sets goals, delegates tasks, provides updates to relevant Bureau stakeholders, and coordinates the work flow. Ensures the development of budgets and manages program funds in a cost-effective manner to support the program goals.

OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS 25%

1. Conducts outreach to the domestic and international adaptation community to leverage the best resources and partners to accomplish Bureau goals. Represents the Bureau at critical discussions on adaptation.
2. Authors analytical documents including multilateral research reports, summaries of program status, briefing materials, and other program related documents. Effectively messages within USAID and the development community on the impact of Bureau investments toward higher level objectives around climate.

Qualifications:

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- You must have one year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level of this position (FSL03/GS13). Examples of specialized experience include (a) reviewing and analyzing best practices related to locally-led adaptation and mobilizing adaptation finance (public and private) in an international development context; b) contributing to written reports, briefing materials, and other outreach and communication efforts; and, (c) contributing to the development or implementation of organizational priorities and strategies related to climate adaptation in developing countries.
- Demonstrated ability to provide technical assistance in climate adaptation, climate finance, or other related interventions for developing countries.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and be able to work collaboratively and engage effectively in a team environment;
- Demonstrated ability to achieve results and influence institutional decisions in complex organizations;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills, including the ability to effectively communicate technical subject matter to non-technical audiences; and,
- Must be eligible to obtain and maintain a Secret security clearance.

Interested candidates should submit a:

- Resume/CV;
- A short written statement of interest.

Please submit your application package to RFSjobs@usaid.gov. Please use the subject line “FSL APPLICATION PACKAGE: Program Officer (Adaptation Finance Specialist), FSL02, RFS/CR, PD#41381” **Application submissions are required by 11:59 pm (EST), July 1st, 2022. Packages not submitted by the deadline with the specified subject line—or incomplete packages—will not receive consideration.**

This notice may be used to fill additional vacancies, as the workforce needs of the Bureau may change.

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Any questions concerning this notice may be directed to:

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